

A low-staining orange food coloring composition and a process of producing such a food coloring is disclosed,

5 as well as an orange colored beverage composition colored with such a food coloring composition and a process of producing such a beverage. The orange food coloring composition comprises a combination of a yellow dye selected from the group consisting of FD&C

10 Yellow #5, quinoline yellow and combinations thereof and a red dye selected from the group consisting of carmoisine, Ponceau 4R, FD&C Red #40, amaranth and combinations thereof.

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